

MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

MARLBORO COUNTY CONFERENCE ROOM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2005

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CHAIRMAN: KEN ALLEN
VICE CHAIRMAN: MARION WRIGHT
ADMINISTRATOR: ANNA K. HUBBARD
COUNTY ATTORNEY: DONNIE MCDONALD

COUNCIL: JEAN MCLEAN, JEFF QUICK,
MICKEY ROGERS, CORRIE H. PLATO,
DR. CAROLYN PRINCE, KEN ALLEN,
EDMOND BLUE, AND MARION WRIGHT

* ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

INTRODUCTION

Mr. Ken Allen, Chairman introduced Mr. Gary Harrington to the Council Members as the new Marlboro County Parks and Recreation Director.

PROCLAMATION

Mr. Ken Allen, Chairman read a Proclamation honoring the Marlboro County School District.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 13, 2005

Motion made by Mr. Jeff Quick, seconded by Ms. Jean McLean approving the minutes of October 13, 2005. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Solicitor Jay Hodge – Mr. Hodge expressed his appreciation to Council for allowing him to hire his new employee Kevin Hales. Mr. Hodge also recognized Ms. Jo Wood, who also works in the Solicitor's office.

Mr. Kevin Hales, Assistant Solicitor – made a presentation to Council. He advised of improvements made in the Solicitors office and of the number of cases pending. Mr. Hales advised that in July 2005 there were approximately 1000 cases pending. As of November 2005 that number had been decreased to approximately 700. He advised of the status of the jail – in July 2005 the number of General Sessions in jail were 33, as of November 9th the number had been decreased to 15. He expressed his appreciation to Council for being able to work with the Solicitor.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE # 599 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT AND AN INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND ALADDIN MANUFACTURING CORPORATION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY, WHEREBY SUCH PROPERTY WILL BE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES AND ALADDIN MANUFACTURING CORPORATION WILL RECEIVE CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE CREDITS IN RESPECT OF ITS INVESTMENT IN RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

No Comments were made.

ORDINANCE # 600 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK BY AND BETWEEN DARLINGTON COUNTY AND MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK SO AS TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTY IN MARLBORO COUNTY AS PART OF THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

No Comments were made.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 598 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE LEASE BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY AND ABERDEEN & ROCKFISH TO EXPAND RAIL SERVICE TO MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC. – SECOND READING

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Jeff Quick approving the second reading of Ordinance # 598 – An Ordinance approving the Lease between Marlboro County and Aberdeen & Rockfish to expand rail service to Mohawk Industries, Inc.. Vote in favor: Mr. Edmond Blue, Ms. Mickey Rogers, Mr. Jeff Quick, Ms. Jean McLean, Mr. Marion Wright, Dr. Carolyn Prince, and Mr. Ken Allen. Abstain: Ms. Corrie Plato. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 599 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT AND AN INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND ALADDIN MANUFACTURING CORPORATION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY, WHEREBY SUCH PROPERTY WILL BE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES AND ALADDIN MANUFACTURING CORPORATION WILL RECEIVE CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE CREDITS IN RESPECT OF ITS INVESTMENT IN RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO – SECOND READING

Mr. Donnie McDonald, County Attorney discussed briefly.

Motion made by Mr. Marion Wright, seconded by Ms. Jean McLean approving the second reading of Ordinance # 599 – An Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement and an infrastructure finance agreement by and between Marlboro County, South Carolina and Aladdin Manufacturing Corporation with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property will be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes and Aladdin Manufacturing Corporation will receive certain infrastructure credits in respect of its investment in related infrastructure; and other matters related thereto. Vote in favor: Mr. Ken Allen, Mr. Edmond Blue, Ms. Mickey Rogers, Mr. Jeff Quick, Ms. Jean McLean, Mr. Marion Wright, and Dr. Carolyn Prince. Abstain: Ms. Corrie Plato. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 600 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK BY AND BETWEEN DARLINGTON COUNTY AND MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK SO AS TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTY IN MARLBORO COUNTY AS PART OF THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO. SECOND READING

Motion made by Ms. Mickey Rogers, seconded by Mr. Jeff Quick approving the second reading of Ordinance # 600 – An Ordinance to amend the agreement for development of a Multi-County Industrial and Business Park by and between Darlington County and Marlboro County, South Carolina, providing for the development of a jointly owned and operated Industrial/Business Park so as to include additional property in Marlboro County as part of the joint County Industrial Park, and other matter relating thereto. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION # 11-05-01 – A RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF WORK AUTHORIZATION FOR AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN DRAWINGS

Ms. Anna Hubbard, County Administrator briefed Council. She advised the work would be paid for by grant funds.

Motion made by Mr. Jeff Quick, seconded by Mr. Marion Wright approving Resolution # 11-05-01 – A Resolution for approval of Work Authorization for Airport Layout Plan Drawings. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION # 11-05-02 – A RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF A PARD GRANT APPLICATION FOR MARLBORO COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION

Ms. Hubbard advised there are three (3) separate grants available for Marlboro County Parks & Recreation totaling approximately \$73,000. She advised the first application is due by December 1st for approximately \$26,000 which will concentrate on Lindsay Park. She advised the Recreation Commission is looking at an additional T-ball field & dugouts, additional Baseball field & dugouts, scoreboards, etc. The first project must be completed no later than May 2006. She advised the Recreation Department will scale the projects back to meet the funds available as well as seek outside funding. Ms. Hubbard advised there is a match of funds.

Ms. Hubbard requested permission to approach the School District for a 20-25 year lease on the Blenheim area property Parks & Recreation uses. She advised PARD Grants may not be used on it without a lease agreement. All Council members were in agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Jeff Quick, seconded by Ms. Jean McLean approving Resolution # 11-05-02 – A Resolution for approval of a PARD Grant application for Marlboro County Parks and Recreation. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Marion Wright, seconded by Mr. Jeff Quick to enter Executive Session to discuss a contractual issue. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Jeff Quick, seconded by Ms. Jean McLean to leave Executive Session and re-enter Open Session. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Chairman Allen advised that no decisions had been made and no votes had been taken.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

REPORTS

ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL REPORT – ANNA K. HUBBARD, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Hubbard advised expenditures are at thirty-seven percent (37%) through October 31, 2005.

Ms. Hubbard advised she had received Workers Compensation Audit information for Fiscal year through June 30, 2005. She advised the additional premium is for \$31,716. This amount will require a transfer of funds at the end of the fiscal year.

Ms. Hubbard advised information has been received from S.C. Office of Rural Health concerning the distribution of difibulators. It is unknown at this time how many Marlboro County will receive.

Ms. Hubbard advised she attended an Association of Counties meeting in which information was distributed concerning the NACO Prescription Drug Discount Program. She advised this plan is being offered to uninsured and underinsured citizens and employees at no cost to the county. She requested Council's direction as whether or not to pursue the issue. All Council members were in favor of placing the item on the December agenda after the County Attorney reviews the contract. Dr. Carolyn Prince presented a copy of the contract agreement for the County Attorneys review.

Ms. Hubbard advised she received a copy of a letter from Representative Jennings to Mr. Ronnie Crow requesting pavement of Rivers Circle.

Ms. Hubbard advised the cost of the Walk through metal detector for the Courthouse is approximately \$3850 which does not include freight or sales tax. She advised that the walk through metal detector did have to be manned. She requested direction from Council. Chairman Allen requested that Ms. Hubbard place the item on the December agenda.

She advised a request for qualifications for the Murchison Building pre-construction was released. The qualification are due by December 1st and will be reviewed by the Finance Supervisor and Grant Writer. Ms. Hubbard will advise Council further at the December Council meeting.

Ms. Hubbard advised the 911 EMS Grant in Aide application was approved for \$17,697. She advised Council approved the application months previously.

Ms. Hubbard advised she met with associates of Landmark Asset Suc., Inc. about the Bailey Bill. Mr. Ken Harmon & Mr. Wes Parks presented information on this also to Council months earlier in a work session. She advised she would forward the information to Mr. Donnie McDonald for review and possibly place it on the December agenda.

Ms. Hubbard advised that Blenheim donated \$200 for purchase of the Pilot Club Christmas tree. She advised the tree has arrived and that Mr. Freeman and staff would make the arrangements to assemble the tree.

Ms. Hubbard advised the McColl/Clio Convenience Center is near completion. The fencing is up and a building has been placed on the site. She advised the electrical items will have to be

installed and a small bathroom installed. She advised a well has been placed as well as gravel. She reminded Council the Convenience Center sites are required to be manned per DHEC.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee reports were heard.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZEN'S REQUEST BEFORE COUNCIL

Mr. Jack Hannan – made a presentation to County Council requesting widening of Charles Leondis Road. He was advised Mr. Sidney Wallace, Public Works Director would be in touch with him to work out the details if possible.

Mr. Daryl Damon – spoke expressing concern with the hiring of Mr. Gary Harrington as Parks and Recreation Director.

Ms. Linda Rogers – advised she was at the Council Meeting to represent the Landscaping Committee. She advised she wanted an accounting of all the funds spent on the landscaping project. She voiced her many concerns and disapproval with the project.

RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ms. Mickey Rogers requested the status with the warning sirens. Ms. Hubbard advised county has to wait for the next applicable grant cycle. Plans are to purchase the warning system through the Homeland Security Grant which is available only one time a year.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further discussion. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes were adopted December 8, 2005

Susan E. Rivers, Clerk to Council